

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Division of Serial No. 10/304,845

Applicants : Akitsugu TANAKA, et al.

Filed : Herewith

For : INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS

Art Unit : 2871

745 Fifth Avenue  
New York, New York 10151  
Tel. (212) 588-0800

EXPRESS MAIL

Mailing Label Number EV195875132US  
Date of Deposit January 27, 2004  
I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being  
deposited with the United States Postal Service  
"Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" Service  
under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and  
is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O.  
Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Charles Jackson  
(Typed or printed name of person  
mailing paper or fee)

Charles Jackson  
(Signature of person mailing paper or fee)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Patent Application  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Before the issuance of the first Official Action,  
please amend the above-identified application as follows:  
application to read as follows: